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INFO AMEMBASSY KABUL

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, AF

SUBJECT: PRINCE DAUD

REF: (A) KABUL 5193; (B) KABUL 5194

1. TALKED WITH

RECEIPT OF REES. HE HAD FOLLOWING COMMENTS TO MAKE ABOUT PRINCE DAUD

(1) WHEN DAUD WAS PRIME MINISTER, HE WAS PRINCIPAL ADVOCATE OF CLOSER RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION. HE FAVORS COOPERATION WITH RUSSIA. ONE OF HIS SONS HAS BEEN STUDYING IN MOSCOW FOR SOME TIME. DAUD VISITS HIM THERE ONCE OR TWICE A YEAR.

(2) ONE OF DAUD'S PRIME INTERESTS WAS THE PUSHTUNISTAN MOVEMENT. THE ONLY PUBLIC FUNCTION HE ATTENDED WHEN PRIME MINISTER WAS PUSHTUNISTAN DAY IN PUSHTU SQUARE, IN KABUL.

(3) DAUD HAS BEEN THE REAL OPPOSITION TO THE KING

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IN RECENT YEARS. HE DID NOT RPT NOT BELIEVE IN THE
CONSTITUTION. HE IS HARD WORKER BUT RUTHLESS AND EVEN
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